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All You Need To Know About The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
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Tribal Council Members:

- Warren C. Swartz Jr., President
- Susan J. LaFerner, Vice-President
- Toni Minton, Secretary
- William E. Emery, Asst. Secretary
- Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer
- Larry J. Denomie III, CEO
- Doreen Blaker
- Elizabeth D. Mayo
- Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.
- Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews
- Jerry Lee Curtis
- Frederick Dakota



February 2, 2008 — Tribal Council Meeting



The Tribal Council held their regularly scheduled Saturday Tribal Council meeting on February 2, 2008, in the Chippewa Room of the Ojibwa Resort Motel in Baraga, Michigan.

Susan LaFerner presided over the meeting with Warren C. Swartz Jr., Toni Minton, Gary F. Loonsfoot Sr., Jennifer Misegan, Larry Denomie III, Doreen Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, William E. Emery, Michael F. LaFerner Sr., Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews and Elizabeth D. Mayo present. Numerous *Thank You* and *For Your Information* items were reviewed by Council. Council approved the meeting minutes for November 29, 2007, December 1, 2007, September 22, 2005, September 26, 2005 and the Department Head reports for December 2007.

Above (left) Susan LaFerner swears in newly elected council members (left to right) Toni Minton, Michael LaFerner Sr., Fred Dakota and Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo at the Council meeting held February 2, 2008. The reorganization process named Warren "Chris" Swartz as the KBIC Tribal President for 2008. President Swartz is pictured below (left). Gary Loonsfoot Sr., pictured below (right), was presented with a blanket as he departed from the council seat he has held since 1996. Loonsfoot was defeated in the December 15, 2007, tribal elections.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- February 2, 2008, Tribal Council meeting
- President LaFerner summarizes 2007
- Healthy Heart Fair
- Youngsters Enjoy Valentine's Dance
- Drug Conviction Report
- New Employees
- Our Deepest Sympathy
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Susan LaFerner reported in the President's Report, that on January 7, 2008, she along with John Baker, Summer Cohen, and Chuck Brumleve attended a consultation meeting with the DNR (Department of Natural Resources) staff/others in Lansing regarding our opposition to grant a state land use lease permit to Kennecott for the exclusive use of 120 acres of state public lands for surface mining facilities and portal to the proposed underground mine. On Janu-

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ary 10, 2008, Director Humphries decided to delay her decision on this lease because there were many unanswered questions. Her decision now may be made at the February 7th Natural Resources Commission meeting after review of an amended Mining and Reclamation Plan and Surface Use Lease. There is not any more news regarding the contested case petition that was filed on December 21, 2007, by the KBIC, the Huron Mountain Club, and the National Wildlife Federation against the DEQ regarding the permits that they issued. This petition was filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings. On January 15, 2008, President LaFerner participated on another IHS TAB (Tribal Advisory Board) conference call. The IHS TAB recently approved the nomination of Becky Tussing, Associate Director of our Tribal Health Department as an alternate representative for the Bemidji area to the National Indian Health Board. The nomination awaits the approval of the National Indian Health Board. On January 15, 2008, members of Council met with Debbie Parrish, members of the Board of Regents, and KBOCC staff to continue discussions regarding the college. At the January 24, 2008, Tribal Council meeting, a motion was passed to continue with the accreditation process. The budget and other details such as personnel/accounting issues and the plan towards the steps to accreditation are currently being worked on. President LaFerner attended a Hazardous Communications and Blood Borne Pathogens safety training presented by the loss control consultant of our workers comp carrier held on January 24, 2008. As a member, President LaFerner attended the Weed & Seed Steering Committee's annual reorganization meeting held on January 16, 2008. Judy Heath, Director of Tribal Social Services, has been named the new Chairperson. The '08 appropriation for the grant was also reduced by 35% for 2008. We have heard great comments about the new Quibica scoring system that was installed on January 18, 2008, at the Pressbox Ojibwa Lanes. President LaFerner attended the Fifth Annual Women's Retreat on Saturday, January 19, 2008, held at the MTU's Alberta facility. As always, everyone had a great time. Watch for the February newsletter for pictures of the event and please take time to view the beautiful quilts that have been made from the ladies who attend this annual retreat. The quilts will be put on display throughout many tribal offices and businesses within the next few months. They are quite beautiful and unique as each square of the quilt is made by a different woman (ikwe). We thank Heather Wood and our Health Department staff for all of their hard work to make this retreat available for our ikwe each year. On January 22, 2008, President LaFerner, Sarah Smith, Todd Warner, Jean Jokinen, and David Osmak attended a meeting with Nick Reo (Native American Institute of MSU) and Mike Jensen from MSU Extension regarding Tribal forest management programs and possible grants that are available. On January 23, 2008, this group met with Gerald Parrish, Superintendent, and four staff from the BIA Michigan Agency/Sault Ste. Marie regarding our request for funds to establish or broaden our real estate services, performance based compensation strategy and a records management system. We received information, and ideas/suggestions were discussed that can be implemented. President LaFerner thanked the Cultural Committee for their recognition and honoring of our Tribal Council on the morning of January 26th prior to grand entry for the Fourth Midwinter Traditional Powwow. She stated she was honored to have the privilege of giving the welcome at the powwow and to participate with the Cultural Committee on honoring the respected elders and their families — Clarence "Dempsey" Forcia and LaVerne Perrault, as well as our reigning Miss Keweenaw Bay, Chelsea Seymour. The special run-off election was held on January 26, 2008. Congratulations to Fred Dakota who won the election and Chuck Loonsfoot who ran a very good race. President LaFerner, Larry Denomie and Sarah Smith met with Theresa Gallagher from IHS on January 31, 2008. Ms. Gallagher does the inspections on our various businesses and departments. She is willing to help us with our safety issues and building projects in the upcoming year and to provide newsletter articles for awareness. The hearing for the sales/use tax case is still scheduled for February 27, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. in Grand Rapids to hear KBIC and the State's summary judgment motions. Members of the Tribal Council and the attorney will be attending. On January 4, 2008, Carl Artman, Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs of the U.S. Dept. of Interior signed a "Finding of No Significant Impact" for our proposed KBIC Gaming and Entertainment Facility at the former Marquette County Airport in Negaunee Township. Our part 151 Land-Into-Trust application will need updating because of the new guidance regulations regarding off reservation gaming, and our 2-part application is also being updated with financial information. Please remember to call the new Drug Tip Line number 353-DRUG (353-3784) if you know of the sale or use of illegal drugs on our reservation or in our communities. Your name will remain confidential unless you choose other-

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Larry Denomie III presented the CEO Report for January 2008. An entire year has come and gone since being appointed to the position of CEO. Denomie stated it has been an honor to have served in this capacity and would like to thank the Council, employees and community for all of their support, encouragement, advice and wisdom. Each and every employee of the Tribe has contributed toward the success of KBIC and should be very proud of their accomplishments. The restaurant facility within the Ojibwa Casino will be opening in mid-February. A draft lease agreement has been developed and will be presented to Council. The Tire Shop is closed and the process of selecting a lessee is underway. Requested documentation is being forwarded to the interested parties and formal proposals will be presented by them in the coming weeks. Once that information is received, the council will be presented options to consider. The new wage compensation structure which was approved by Council continues to be worked on. A review of all positions within the Tribe is taking place prior to applying the new wage system. Vacancies are now being advertised at the new minimum starting wages and current employees will be adjusted retroactive to December 6, 2007, the date Council approved the change. It is expected to take up to 60 days to complete the review. A second payables clerk will be hired in an effort to resolve some accounts payable issues. On January 8, 2008, Denomie attended the Tribe's Gaming Commission meeting. This meeting led to the need to amend the Gaming Regulatory Ordinance. Some sections contradict other regulations which lead to frustration. The amendment will be drafted for introduction and processing through the legislative process in the near future. On January 15, 2008, CEO Denomie, President LaFerner, Jennifer Misegan, and Doreen Blaker met with the Ojibwa College's Board of Regents and Debbie Parrish to further discuss the college's plans. A one year plan has been developed outlining the process of moving toward candidacy status. The Council approved moving forward with the Accreditation process of the College and to continue working on a funding agreement which is being developed. Additional meetings with OCC will continue to discuss the content of the agreement. Joe Constance of Constant Training has been contracted to provide training in February, March and April for managers and supervisors. The training will aid in effectively leading and directing employees within each department. Council members are encouraged to attend. The position of Economic Developer has been posted with the deadline to apply of February 11, 2008. The Tribe's K9 handler resigned mid-January. Officer Irvin Smith has been promoted and accepted the position to care for Mia. Smith will be attending training in March to take command of Mia. The CEO will be conducting the evaluations for the department heads and directors this year.

Toni Minton presented the Secretary's Report for January 2008. During the month of January 2008, the Tribal Council had one regular meeting and three special meetings. The regular Tribal Council meeting was held on January 5, 2008, and is reported in the February 2008 Tribal Newsletter. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on January 10, 2008: amended resolution KB1585-2007 Elderly Nutrition and Caregivers grant application; approved one deer tag for the January 26th Midwinter Powwow; upheld the CEO's decision in Grievance Hearing #001-08; approved the Women's Retreat Contract with Michigan Tech. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on January 11, 2008: approved payment of a medical request from Agatha Cardinal; approved Assistant Tribal Attorney Christoph Geiger's contract; approved the FY'08 budgets for all programs under Ojibwa Community College direction except Fund 514. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on January 24, 2008: approved meeting minutes for November 16, 2007, November 21, 2007, September 8, 2005, and September 16, 2005; approved a financial assistance request for Sharon Geroux; approved slot machine removals and installations in the Baraga and Marquette Casinos; approved the bid from Tribal Construction for additional Fish Hatchery space; approved donations totaling \$2006; approved a special counsel contract with Nordhuas Law Firm; approved an in-house promotion for Chad Selden to full-time Unit Manager at New Day; agreed to compensate Joe Spruce for his additional duties when he served as the K9 handler for the Tribal Police; agreed to move forward with accreditation for the Ojibwa Community College. Toni Minton thanked the Council and the Community for allowing her the opportunity to serve as their Secretary for the past year. She is honored to have been re-elected to the Council this year and is grateful for the faith and trust that the community has bestowed upon her.

Jennifer Misegan presented the Treasurer's Report for January 2008. Jennifer stated the Council met on January 24, 2008, and approved the following donations:

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Robert Voakes — \$300 for International Travel Club's trip to Italy; Joslyn Haataja — \$300 for International Travel Club's trip to Italy; Jordan Maki — \$250 for 1/2 page advertisement in the UP All-Star football game; L'Anse School Youth in Government — \$30 for sponsorship for one participant; and KBIC Youth Club — \$926.06 for sponsorship for the STAND Strength Team. Treasurer Misegan attended the BIA Budget Workshop along with Doreen Blaker, Gene Emery and Sarah Smith. The process of developing the budget from the President to Congress was covered as well as what tribes should be doing to obtain additional funding. One of the programs discussed was the Indian Land Consolidation Project which was cut from \$30.7 million to \$10 million. This program has been very good for our Tribe and because of it we have obtained many allotment parcels, thus allowing the Tribe to have controlling interest in several allotments. It is suggested that we contact our Congressman in support of this program. A letter is currently being drafted for this support. Overall the workshop was very informative and will help when Misegan attends the BIA's Midwest Region budget meeting on February 14, 2008. The casino audits were completed and delivered this week. Auditors were at the Tribal Center for the government in early January. Jennifer Misegan thanked the Cultural Committee for their hard work putting on the Fourth Annual Midwinter Powwow and for the gifts the Council received while being honored by the Cultural Committee and to the Council and community for allowing her to serve as their treasurer this past year.

Under old business, Debbie Williamson, Earl Otchigawanigah and Jim St. Arnold presented the Language Revitalization and Preservation Plan budget. The budget proposal is for a ten month period to review Objectives 1, 2, and 3 of the outline prior to receiving ANA funding. There will be a 25% match for ANA funding, which does not need to be all cash and can include in-kind services. A resolution of support is required by March 12, 2008. **Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo made a motion to approve \$75,595 for the Language Revitalization and Preservation Plan budget, supported by Michael LaFernier Sr. Toni Minton made a motion to table the Language Revitalization and Preservation Plan budget until budget questions are answered, supported by Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, eight supported (Swartz, Minton, Misegan, Denomie, Blaker, Curtis, Emery, Matthews), three opposed (Mayo, Loonsfoot, M. LaFernier), 0 abstaining, motion carried.** Discussion continued on the topic. **Warren "Chris" Swartz Jr. made a motion to reconsider and approve the budget as submitted for the Language Revitalization and Preservation Plan and then to work out the budget details, supported by William "Gene" Emery, nine supported (Swartz, Minton, Loonsfoot, Misegan, Curtis, Emery, M. LaFernier, Matthews, Mayo), 0 Opposed, two abstained (Denomie, Blaker), motion carried.** **Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo made a motion to promote Debbie Williamson to continue as the Language Revitalization and Preservation Plan Program Coordinator, supported by Michael LaFernier Sr., five supported (Swartz, Curtis, Emery, Mayo, M. LaFernier), four opposed (Matthews, Misegan, Loonsfoot, Minton), two abstained (Blaker, Denomie), motion carried.** Jennifer Misegan stated her opposition; she would like the Personnel Policies followed. Toni Minton stated her opposition; she would like to continue the program but would like the position posted as Debbie Williamson had been hired as a temporary employee.

Cherie Dakota presented clarifications regarding the Marquette Health and Hardship Fund. What are the guidelines for using the \$5,000 placed into the dental line item which was a Council directive to occur with the Marquette Emergency Fund? Cherie brought for Council's review, suggestions from the Tribal Dentist, Dr. Brent Johnson. In addition, the Health Board is looking for clarification within the original Council resolution for the Marquette Health and Hardship Fund. Resolution language states the fund is available for uninsured KBIC Marquette residents. The Health Board suggests the resolution should reflect the same conditions as CHS and THF within the CSHDA which would allow insured individuals to use the fund as well as the uninsured. Cherie Dakota brought draft policies for Council's approval. Draft two reflects the suggestion of making the fund available to both insured and uninsured individuals. **Jennifer Misegan made a motion to approve the Marquette Health and Hardship Fund Policy as stated in the presented draft two and to include Dr. Johnson's suggested guidelines and to include non-emergency services such as bridges and false teeth be provided within the \$5,000 dental line item of the Marquette Health and Hardship Fund, supported by Jerry Curtis, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

In new business, Diana Chaudier presented the unofficial results of the KBIC Special Run-Off Election 2007, held on January 26, 2008. Fred Dakota received

257 votes and Charles Loonsfoot Sr. received 227 votes. 484 voters of the eligible 621 (80%) did participate in the election. **Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo made a motion to approve the KBIC Special Run-Off Election 2007 results, supported by Doreen Blaker, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

The Council recognized Gary Loonsfoot Sr. as he departed from his council seat which he had held since 1996. Loonsfoot was presented with a Pendleton blanket (see picture page one).

Swearing into office was conducted by Susan LaFernier for the newly elected council members: Toni Minton, Michael LaFernier Sr., Fred Dakota and Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo.

Reorganization of the executive council occurred by secret ballot. Results were as follows: President — Warren "Chris" Swartz, Vice-President — Susan LaFernier, Secretary — Toni Minton, Assistant Secretary — William "Gene" Emery, Treasurer — Jennifer Misegan. **Jennifer Misegan made a motion to continue Larry Denomie III as the CEO, supported by Jerry Curtis, nine supported (S. LaFernier, M. LaFernier, Swartz, Minton, Misegan, Blaker, Curtis, Emery, Matthews), two opposed (Mayo, Dakota), one abstained (Denomie), motion carried.**

Jennifer Misegan made a motion for depository of funds to be Superior National Bank, National City, Commercial National Bank, Wells Fargo, and Republic Bank, supported by Michael LaFernier Sr., ten supported (S. LaFernier, M. LaFernier, Minton, Misegan, Blaker, Curtis, Emery, Matthews, Mayo) one opposed (Dakota), 0 abstained, motion carried.

Jennifer Misegan made a motion for the check signers to be one Council member from the executive committee and one Council member, supported by Toni Minton, nine supported (S. LaFernier, Minton, Misegan, Emery, Denomie, Blaker, Curtis, M. LaFernier, Matthews), two opposed (Dakota, Mayo), 0 abstained, motion carried. **Jennifer Misegan made a motion for the Tribal Court check signers to be any of the following (two signatures required), Chief Tribal Judge, Associate Tribal Judge, Court Clerk, any of the twelve Council members, and that the same be authorized to sign Tribal Court Child Support checks as well as the Child Support Disbursement Clerk, supported by Susan LaFernier, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

Susan LaFernier presented a letter from Tom Chosa of the Baraga Fire Department with a request to use the field behind the Casino for Mud Drag Races. **Fred Dakota made a motion to allow the Baraga Fire Department to use the field behind the Casino for their Mud Drag Races event, supported by Michael LaFernier Sr., eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining, motion carried.**

Susan LaFernier presented a request by the Cedar Tree Institute on a project proposal to restore native plants and butterfly habitat. The Forest Service grant is a one-to-one match and it is requested that KBIC consider a commitment of \$2500-\$5000 for the project. The deadline for the project grant is February 15, 2008. **Toni Minton made a motion to commit \$5000 for the Cedar Tree Institute for the Forest Service Grant Application, supported by Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

Chief of Police, Dale Dakota, presented a request for a letter of support for a grant being applied for by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians for a Criminal Justice Information Sharing Network to be developed between the Tribal nations within Michigan. **Doreen Blaker made a motion to approve resolution KB1601-2008 and to authorize a letter of support to Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians for the grant to comply with the Adam Walsh Act, supported by William "Gene" Emery, ten supported, one opposed (Denomie), 0 abstained, motion carried.**

John Baker presented a new business license request on behalf of Mary Lou Jossens to operate her new restaurant business as "Michaa Maamaa's Restaurant. The tribal member, Mary Lou Jossens, will be leasing the restaurant space within the Ojibwa Enterprises. **Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo made a motion to approve the business lease for Mary Lou Jossen's restaurant, "Michaa Maamaa's," supported by Toni Minton, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

Larry Denomie presented bids for a colored copier to be purchased for customer services in the Baraga Casino. **Toni Minton made a motion to authorize the bid submitted by U.P. Office Equipment Systems for the amount of \$6468 after trade-in for the customer services colored copier, supported by Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

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Janice Shelfoe presented to Tribal Council a petition with signatures which reads — *Petition to nullify Fred Dakota's seat on the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's Tribal Council. According to the Constitution and By-laws of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, Article V—VACANCIES AND REMOVAL FROM OFFICE, Sec. 2 "Any councilman who is proven guilty of improper conduct or gross neglect of duty, may be expelled from the Council..." We, as Enrolled Tribal Members of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, by the following signatures of this petition, agree that FRED DAKOTA is and has been found to be in gross neglect of duty and improper conduct as a leader in our past and therefore should not be able to serve as a councilman for our tribe today. We, as Enrolled Tribal Members of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, have found FRED DAKOTA's actions to be incomprehensible, and this man should not be able to and cannot ever again represent our people. FRED DAKOTA has not only stolen our money but has stolen our birthright in his attempt to annihilate the people of this reservation. FRED DAKOTA nullified the 1994 election and disenfranchised 202 voters. We, as Enrolled Tribal Members of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, demand that you, the Tribal Council, as our representatives and as our leaders of this tribal government, nullify the recent January 26, 2008, tribal election that voted FRED DAKOTA a seat on the Tribal Council and to disallow FRED DAKOTA to be sworn in to that position. On June 26, 1996, FRED DAKOTA was indicted on numerous counts. The indictments revolved around "conspiracy to violate Sec. 666 of Title 18." The indictments claimed FRED DAKOTA owed his tribe "a duty of loyalty, honesty and integrity" and that FRED DAKOTA as a leader of his tribe took the secret kickbacks to enrich himself instead of his people. On November 5, 1997, FRED DAKOTA was sentenced to 2 ½ years in Federal Prison and therefore is a convicted felon. In our opinion, FRED DAKOTA is an individual without remorse. He has never attempted to make amends to our people. The Constitution petition process was cited by Jennifer Misegan. President Swartz accepted the petition and will forward it to the Tribal Election Committee to verify signatures, which is step one within the petition processing.*

Council moved into closed session with Cherie Dakota, Susan LaFerner, Larry Denomie and Attorney John Baker on the agenda.

Following closed session **Elizabeth Mayo made a motion to approve the Snyder Drug Contract for Pharmacy services, supported by Michael LaFerner, Sr., eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained. Motion carried.**

PRESS RELEASE—

At the Council meeting held on February 22, 2008, Tribal Council passed a motion not to move forward with the petition. The petition requested the Council nullify the run off election held January 26, 2008. There are no provisions in the constitution to nullify an election.

President LaFerner Summarizes 2007

After reviewing the 2007 newsletters and minutes, I am pleased to announce that the Council, our departments and community have had a busy, productive year in many ways, and there are many projects/programs that are currently being worked on for completion in 2008. We can be proud of our accomplishments. The following is a brief review of the year:

- Pre-Primary Program began in January 2007.
- Citizen Resolution to Governor Granholm to deny Kennecott's application for a sulfide mine on the Yellow Dog Plains.
- New Parks and Recreation Committee began April 2007.
- Ojibwa Language Revitalization and Preservation Plan—ongoing all year.
- Adopt-A-Road Program began Spring 2007.
- Tribal Construction Company celebrated their 30 year anniversary on June 8, 2007.
- National Native American Economic Policy Summit-Phoenix, AR, May 2007, and met with Carl Artman, Assistant Secretary BIA on our 2-part application for the Marquette Airport Casino.
- New WLUC TV-6 ad of KBIC departments/Council.
- Ojibwa Senior Citizens Building Renovation by Ojibwa Builders.
- Grand opening of our Eagle Radio Hancock Office—June 2007.
- July 2007 met with Carl Levin in Marquette to honor his distinguished service as a U.S. Senator and discussed the Marquette Airport Casino.

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- July 2007 Community Power Point Presentation on the history of tax agreements since 1977 and history of the cigarette and sales/use tax cases. We lost the cigarette case in the courts and did not appeal to the Supreme Court.
- September 10, 2007, public hearings in Marquette with tribal members in opposition to mining permits, state land lease and mining reclamation permits.
- September 19, 2007, public hearing in Lansing in opposition of mining permits.
- September 2007 Cultural Center Grand Opening.
- Ojibwe Language Immersion Classes began at KBIC in the Fall of 2007 with Bay Mills Community College.
- August 2007 met with U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales in Petoskey.
- KBIC was awarded the Weed & Seed Grant to prevent/fight crime.
- August 2007 The Three Fires Gathering in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada.
- September 2007 proposed MOU with the State on the sale of tobacco products, there is presently a lawsuit on this issue brought by members Magnant-Waara vs. members of the Tribal Council.
- October 2007 Tribal Construction have nearly completed 5,365 feet of new Bear Town Road for future new homes through Ojibwa Housing Authority. Final conditioning will occur in the Spring of 2008.
- November 2007 approved the new Child Support/Paternity Ordinance.
- November 2007 awarded a grant from HUD for the renovation and expansion of the Donald LaPointe Health and Educational facility.
- KBIC joined the United Tribes of Michigan.
- New Quibica Automatic Bowling Scoring System was purchased.
- December 2007 Consultation meetings with DEQ, DNR in Lansing, and EPA regarding the proposed mine on the Yellow Dog Plains.
- Voters approved "Primaries" for the upcoming elections.

The Council has many goals that still need to be accomplished and always will. I am hoping that our departments will prepare an annual report for publication in the upcoming newsletters. For 2008, we will be working on the continuation of the updating and revising of our ordinances, and the Constitution will need considerable revisions. Currently there are 10-15 ordinances/codes that are in various stages of the drafting process. The final draft of the updated personnel policies will also be presented to Council in February. Our 24 page comprehensive plan with 12 values will also need updating as we have accomplished many goals and new goals will need to be added for the coming years. I am also pleased to announce that the Economic Developer position has been posted, and the goal is still to bring new business to the Community and provide needed jobs for the ability to earn an income. I am hoping that a review of the needs of our members will be done, so all can live healthy, productive lives. I am particularly interested in pursuing a recycling, solid waste program and alternative energy sources to further protect our environment. We all need to become more aware of how we can protect our water, land and air for our future generations and then to consciously live each day in a manner respectful of these surroundings. Of course, health care has always been an important issue, and we are currently looking at options for health insurance, prescription needs and a wellness/safety program. I have inquired with the Ojibwa Community College to help with the writing of our Tribe's history of each member and for our website.

I have thoroughly been blessed and honored to be able to serve you and our Community for the past three years. I thank the many of you (in our Community and neighboring communities) who have appreciated my style of leadership and have always been there for me. You are a great and unique people, don't ever forget that, and you deserve the best. We can accomplish whatever we desire when we use the gifts that our God and Creator have given us. I especially thank our Tribal Council, Larry who has done an excellent job and has been a support for me, Jennifer for all of her Treasurer duties and financial work, Toni who has done a great job with our records, Sarah, Peggy, Janice, Juliet, Attorney John Baker, and the entire staff of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. We have many, many talented people working for us, and I applaud all of you, your dedication and hard work. Each and every job that is performed is vital to the success of our people and our Community.

Let us reach our RESPECT goal for 2008: That we respect ourselves, each other, and Mother Earth. Remember to pray for and support each other. My love to you, may God be with you, and I truly honor the greatness in you.

~ Susan J. LaFerner
Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
President 2005-2007

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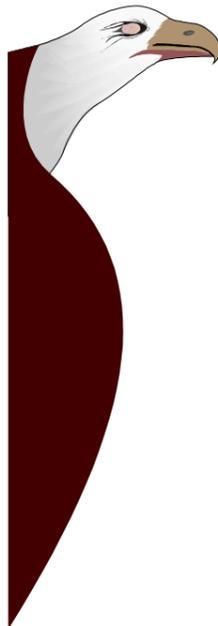
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Anishinaabe Anokii services include:

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**Keweenaw Bay
 Indian Community
 Employment Opportunities**

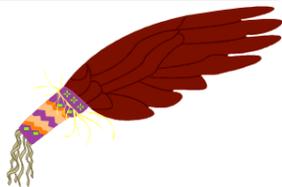
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<http://www.kbic-nsn.gov/html/personnel.htm>

- Third Party Billing Clerk—March 6, 2008 deadline
- Economic Developer—March 14, 2008

On Call positions:

- * LPN
- * RN
- * Unit Manager
- * Account Executive/Sales
- * Child Care Provider
- * Cashier
- * Receptionist/Clerical Worker



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**ATTENTION — KBIC HEALTH
 DEPARTMENT PATIENTS**

Contract Health Service funds through Indian Health Services have been depleted for: Hospital Fees, Physician Fees, Emergency Room Fees, Ambulance Fees, Optical Fees and Diagnostic Testing.

The KBIC Tribal Council has allocated funds (the Tribal Health Fund) to cover the above services for KBIC enrolled members ONLY during this shortage.

Questions or concerns can be directed to: Becky Tussing, RN, Associate Director, KBIC Department of Health and Human Services, **906-353-4521**



Recruitment has started for the 2008 Fire Season. All individuals interested in being KBIC Beartown FireFighters can contact Robin Chosa, TERO Director, @ 353-4167. All veteran firefighters must contact the TERO office to update contact information.

NEW EMPLOYEES

Lisa Little — Clinic LPN



My name is Lisa Little and I am originally from down state, north of Detroit. I spent eight years in the Marine Corps as a Military Police-Dog Handler, serving in the first gulf war. I moved to the U.P. five years ago and recently settled in Keeweenaw Bay. My fiancé and I have two beautiful nine-year-old girls and a very athletic six-year-old boy. I decided to become a nurse because I love caring for and helping others. I look forward to caring for the tribal community. Everyone here has welcomed me with open arms and I feel as if I have a new family. Thank you to everyone in the community and I look forward to meeting you.

Heather Chapman — Assistant Prosecuting Attorney



Thank you for this opportunity to introduce myself to the community. I was thrilled at the prospect of living and working here. Since attending Lake Superior State University to finish my bachelor's degree, I have wanted to return to the UP.

I have a Bachelor's in Business Administration and a Juris Doctorate from Wayne State University Law School. I have worked as an Assistant Prosecutor in Leelanau County. There I specialized in Domestic Violence cases. I also had the opportunity to work closely with the Grand Traverse Band. Their governmental center is within the county of Leelanau, and many times cases and clients were interrelated. In addition, I have worked in Alaska as an Assistant District Attorney. That was a very busy office, where I managed criminal cases from remote outposts, as well as a central district.

I also took on the office's juvenile delinquency case load and set up the system which is now in place to help ensure our youth did not slip through the cracks.

Everyone I have met in the community has been very friendly and welcoming. My husband and I look forward to building our future here.

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Ronda Dowd

906-395-0158 (cell)

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Make Your Appointment Now! Senior Citizen Tax Preparation is FREE.

The Tribal Council has contracted with Sally Snyder, Certified Accountant of Ojibwa Housing Authority, to prepare Ojibwa Senior's Taxes for 2007. There will be no charge to the Ojibwa Seniors for this service, and their taxes can be electronically filed.

Seniors are urged to call Sally Snyder at 353-7117 to schedule their tax preparation appointment.

(6) Ningodwaaswi

HEALTHY HEART FAIR WELL ATTENDED



Approximately 175 people attended the 13th Annual Healthy Heart Fair held at the Big Bucks Bingo Hall on February 15, 2008. Approximately 100 people had their cholesterol, blood sugar and blood pressure measured.

The KBIC Medical Clinic, KBIC Diabetes Program, Healthy Start, WIC Program, VOCA, KBIC Natural Resources, Tribal Social Services, KBOCC, KBOCC DESTINY Program, and the Drug Task Force/Weed & Seed programs participated and provided heart healthy information. Local agencies such as Xango Juice, Northern Orthotics and Prosthetics, HOSA, MSU Family Nutrition Program, L'Anse Pharmacy, Western UP Health Dept, Baraga County Home Care and Hospice, Baraga County Medical Equipment and Bay Ambulance provided information and displays. Low fat, heart healthy food was available to participants for taste testing and drawings for prizes were held throughout the event. This year we had special guest helpers, Laura Schneider's nursing aide students from L'Anse and Baraga assisted health staff and provided a display. Finlandia Community Health nursing students and Gina LaBeau of Big Bucks Bingo also assisted at this year's event. The 2008 Healthy Heart Fair was sponsored by KBIC/DHHS Obesity grant, Healthy Start, WIC, Diabetes programs.

The original Healthy Heart Fair was an idea that the (late) Denise Marth came up with. It started as a small event, mainly of tribal staff in the old tribal center. At that time, it was a fun and festive way to provide people with information on heart disease and provide samples of good tasting, good for you foods. The event has grown so much over the years; we still continue to provide heart health information and much more. KBIC's DHHS have invited tribal and non-tribal agencies to participate and encourage people from all over Baraga County to attend. In the past years, they have added cholesterol screening, a full course - heart healthy lunch, flowers and prizes to the event. Kathy Mayo, Community Health Coordinator, states, "To date, we are still celebrating Valentines Day by raising awareness about heart disease, letting people know how prevalent it is in the UP and what they can do to reduce their risk of developing heart disease. People leave knowing more about heart disease and the resources available in the tribal community and within Baraga County."



KB Boys Participate in Local Varsity and Junior Varsity Basketball



#12 Alden Connor III, BHS JV

#30 Kyle Seppanen, BHS JV

#32 Robert Duschaine, BHS JV

#20 Patrick LaPointe, BHS JV

#14 LeRoy Gauthier, BHS JV

#34 Joey Jossens, LHS Varsity

GIRLS NITE OUT!!



Twenty-four girls, ages six-twelve, attended the Hannah Montana 3D Concert on Friday, Feb. 1st. The girls started out at Superior Pizza, and proceeded to the Mall. The girls sang in the bus and van all the way up and all the way back (Hannah Montana songs, of course). They also received lotion, lipgloss and massager in a packet from Bath & Body Works™, paid for through the Health Department's *American Legacy* grant, which aims at decreasing smoking and drinking for youth.

The Youth Council is planning a similar event for boys, ages six-twelve.



KBIC YOUNGSTERS ENJOY VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE

The KBIC Youth Club held a Kiddies' Valentine's Day Dance for grades K-five. The dance was held on Friday, February 15, 2008, at the Niiwin-Akeaa Center.

The older youth helped to plan and organize the activities which kept the nearly 100 youngsters, who attended, busy dancing and entertained.

Shown (right) is Cheyenne Edwards dancing with Youth Committee member and chaperone Bill Jondreau. A Valentine's Dance for grades 6-12 was held later that same evening.



AABINOOJIIYENS



Meet Vanessa Joan Gauthier born 02/12/08, to Melissa "Lissa" McSawby of L'Anse and Jamie Gauthier of L'Anse (Iraq-Stationed). Vanessa was 7 lbs. 4½ oz. and was 19 1/2 inches at birth. Grandparents are Cathy (Miller) LaBeau, George Gauthier, Colleen and John DeRoche.

(7) Niizhwaaswi

KBIC EVEN START FATHERS' GROUP



Research has shown that fathers play an important role in promoting strong, positive relationships with their children from an early age on. At KBIC Even Start's Family Literacy Program, the Fathers' Group provides opportunities for important male role models to gather and strengthen bonds with their own young children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews and the children of friends.

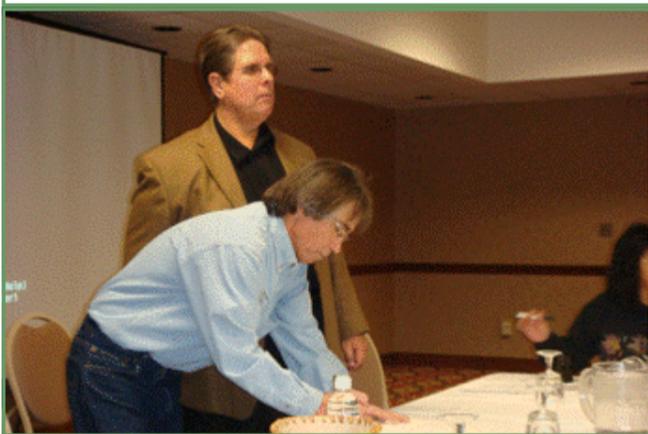
The KBIC Even Start Fathers' Group was created last year by adult education teacher, John DeLine, in collaboration with Carol LaPointe and the KBIC Youth Program. As group facilitator, DeLine has encouraged male participants to plan the types of events they'd enjoy sharing with their children. Although most monthly events are scheduled for evenings, there is a flexibility in planning to allow for such events as fishing and swimming, too.

One recent Fathers' Group on January 24th took place at the Niiwin Akeaa Community Center on the OCC campus. Co-leaders DeLine and Erick Awonohopay prepared an activity based on winter animal tracks. As the "fathers" helped the children to identify each animal by its tracks, they also had the opportunity to learn the Ojibwa names of each animal through the assistance of Awonohopay who shared how each animal related to Native American culture. Plaster casts of the prints were also made. The night's activity was followed by open gym and pizzas.

Word is spreading with each monthly session, bringing more fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and friends together with the special children in their lives. Our next Fathers' Group will include swimming as a planned activity. DeLine remarks, "I'm very impressed with the sense of ownership these men have assumed for the group. They generate ideas for activities and volunteer to assist in making each event a great time for the children. Their involvement helps to build a sense of positive role modeling that will strengthen family bonds." For more information, on the Fathers' Group, you can contact John DeLine at the KBIC Even Start Family Literacy Center, 353-8161.

Father and children learning together. (left-right) Naethin, Donovan, father Erick Awonohopay (Eagle Radio's "Big E."), Raistlin, and Kamerin.

CONTRACT SIGNED, ESTABLISHES EQUIVALENCY AGREEMENT FOR NATIVE AMERICAN COUNSELORS



The signing of a contract between Michigan Certification (MCBAP) and Upper Midwest Indian Council of Addictive Disorders (UMICAD) (Native Certification Board) establishing an equivalency agreement. This agreement means that the state and native boards recognizes each other's counselors being of equal status.

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Substance Abuse Programs has had a substantial interaction in the process of this agreement. The native Certification Board is a culturally sensitive

certification board and has had success working with Native American counselors and helping them establishing their counseling certification. This agreement ensures their professional status, which allows native programs to access funding sources available at a state level.

Pictured above are Roland Piper, Director of MCBAP and Mike Jensen, President of UMICAD.

Our Deepest Sympathy

MARGARET CLARA ST. ONGE

(November 1, 1925 - January 17, 2008)

Margaret Clara St. Onge, age 82, of L'Anse, passed away on Thursday, January 17, 2008, at Bayside Village in L'Anse, where she had been a resident for two weeks. Margaret was born on November 1, 1925, in L'Anse, Michigan, the daughter of the late Pete and Lena (Tollefson) Clyne. She graduated from the L'Anse High School. Margaret married William St. Onge in 1945. He preceded her in death in 2002. Margaret was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. She enjoyed bowling, cooking and playing cards.

Mrs. St. Onge is survived by her loving sister, Virginia Hiltunen, granddaughter Cheryl St. Onge, daughter-in-law Pam St. Onge, numerous nieces and nephews, other family members and friends. She was preceded in death by her sons Kevin, Roger and Gary.

Funeral services for Margaret St. Onge were held on January 26, 2008, at the United Lutheran Church. Pastor Scott Williams officiated. The Reid Funeral Service and Chapel assisted the family with arrangements.

DOROTHY E. BERGERON

(January 17, 1911 - February 18, 2008)

Dorothy E. Bergeron, age 97, of Keweenaw Bay, passed away on Monday, February 18, 2008, at Bayside Village in L'Anse, She was born in Keweenaw Bay on January 17, 1911, the daughter of the late Edmund and Edna (Teahen) Aubin. Dorothy attended school in Baraga. She married Theodore Bergeron in Assinins, on August 20, 1928. He preceded her in death on January 18, 1975. Dorothy was a member of the Holy Name of Jesus Church and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

Mrs. Bergeron is survived by her loving children, Floyd (Helena) Bergeron and Alyce Bergeron both of Keweenaw Bay, ten grandchildren, seventeen great grandchildren, and three great great grandchildren. Several nieces and nephews also survive. She was preceded in death by her two sisters.

A mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Thursday, February 21, 2008, from St. Ann's Catholic Church. Father George Maki officiated. The Reid Funeral Service and Chapel assisted the family with arrangements.

KEWEENAW BAY YOUTH COUNCIL Regular Meeting, February 11, 2008



Call to Order- The regular meeting of the KBIC Youth Council was called to order by President, Tashina Emery at approximately 7:15 p.m.

Prayer - The prayer was given by Ethan Smith.

Present - Tashina Emery, President, DeAnna Varline, Secretary, and Ethan Smith, Treasurer, were all in attendance. Members of the youth in attendance were: J. Chaudier, W. Curtis, D. DeCota, B. Berry, A. Connor,

R. Voakes, S. Shelifoe, L. Gauthier, R. Gauthier and B. Ekdahl. Ginny Ann Jermac, KBIC elder, was also in attendance to guide and mentor the youth.

Treasurer Report - Ethan Smith, Treasurer, gave a verbal report concerning the \$1,387.99 total profit made at the Midwinter powwow on January 26, 2008.

Secretary - DeAnna Varline will prepare the minutes of the meetings. This month the minutes will be prepared by Ginny Ann to assist the Secretary with a format for future minutes.

Discussion - Council discussed monies earned at the KBIC powwow, details of the Valentine's Day Dances being held on Friday, February 15, 2008, and the upcoming up youth trips. A correction was made in last month's minutes regarding a way to get youth involved in their

meetings. Each month, youth attending the youth council meeting will be entered into a drawing for a prize worth \$25. The drawing will take place every other month. The first drawing will be held at the March meeting, Monday, March 10, 2008, 7 p.m. Motion passed unanimously. There were approximately 12 youth in attendance. Miigwetch for attending the meetings.

Respectively submitted:

President, Tashina Emery

Secretary, DeAnna Varline

Language Program Update:

Miigwetch to our Tribal Council Members for supporting the program and approving our budget — KBIC Language Project/Tribal Funding for Fiscal Year 2008 (January until September 2008).

Goal: Revitalize and preserve Ojibwe language in the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

Objective 1. Work with Earl Otchingwanigan, our last fluent speaker, to document and preserve our language for future instructional materials.

Activity: Coordinator and volunteers will work with Earl to record (both orally and visually) and transcribe words, sentences and phrases spoken by Earl.

Objective 2. Initiate language learning tables within the community.

Activity: Language tables will be established one night a week for all ages. Students will be allowed to learn in an informal setting and will meet one-two hours. Language resources will be gathered and developed.

Objective 3. Design and set up multi-media language tools for use by the community.

Activity: A webpage or website will be developed to make language learning tools available for community members. The internet will be researched for links to our site. Earl will review the materials for accuracy and effectiveness before being referenced.

Objective 4. Funding sources will be sought and grant applications will be written.

Activity: Coordinator, advisors and planning committee elders will plan for grant applications for ANA category III projects will be made to implement a master/apprentice program, create teaching materials and test curriculum for students, parents and language instructors.

Laugh and learn (language tables) have been held. In March they will be held on Thursday evenings at the Ojibwa Resort Motel Conference Rooms, 7:15 until 8:15 p.m. There are no age limit and no pressure. We will do fun things while learning the basics of Ojibwemowin. No attendance requirements, so come and go when you can. For more information contact Debra Williamson, Language Program Coordinator, at (906) 353-4178. Mii'iw!

BIA Scholarship Deadline

The deadline to apply for a BIA Scholarship for the 2009-10 academic year is May 1, 2008.

Applicants must be enrolled KBIC members, residents of Michigan attending a two or four year accredited Michigan college in pursuit of a two or four year degree and must complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).

Applications are available from the Education Office, Keweenaw Bay Tribal Center, 16429 Beartown Rd. Baraga MI 49908.

For more information, please contact Amy St. Arnold, Education Director at 906-353-4117 or amy@KBIC-nsn.gov.

Ojibwa Housing Authority announces new prescription subsidy program.

The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Housing Authority Board of Commissioners has approved a new program to assist low income tribal elders and disabled households with the cost of their prescriptions. The program is funded from the profits of OHA's businesses, the Ojibwa Building Supply and Ojibwa Builders. These businesses were created by housing to provide jobs for tribal members and to provide OHA with additional funds to assist our low income community members.

The program is open to low income tribal members who are 55 years of age or older and who reside in Baraga, Ontonagon, or Marquette counties. The program is also open to low income tribal members who are disabled. Applications for this program are available at either the Baraga or Zeba housing offices. If you have any questions, please call Eddy Edwards at 524-5514.



DRUG CONVICTION REPORT

In a continuous effort to reduce the illegal use of controlled substances in our community, the Drug Task Force has requested the publication of pertinent information regarding any convictions of the Controlled Substances section of the KBIC Tribal Code §3.1706. The Tribal Court has agreed to comply with the Drug Task Force's request and will publish a Drug Conviction Report on a routine basis.

Edward Earl Gray, case # 07-260, §3.1706, Controlled Substance.

Factual Basis: Defendant did deliver, within the territorial jurisdiction of this Court, less than 50 grams of mixture containing the controlled substance Hydrocodone.

Sentenced on 01/23/2008 to:

1. \$150 fine.
2. Twelve months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with the \$10 monthly probation fee. Defendant is to submit to random PBT and drug testing and is financially responsible for the costs of the testing (concurrent with #07-261).
3. Defendant is to obtain a substance abuse screening and is to follow all the recommendations of that screening until successfully completed.
4. 180 days jail, 90 days suspended, defendant is to be placed on a tether for 90 days. Defendant is responsible for tether costs.

Edward Earl Gray, case # 07-261, §3.1706, Controlled Substance.

Factual Basis: Defendant did use a controlled substance, to-wit: Marijuana.

Sentenced on 01/23/2008 to:

1. \$300 fine.
2. Twelve months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with the \$10 monthly probation fee. Defendant is to submit to random PBT and drug testing and is financially responsible for the costs of the testing (concurrent with #07-260).
3. Defendant is to obtain a substance abuse screening and is to follow all the recommendations of that screening until successfully completed (concurrent with #07-260).
4. 90 days jail, 80 days suspended, credit for 2 days served, defendant is to be placed on a tether for 8 days (consecutive to #07-260). Defendant is responsible for lodging and tether costs.

Thomas Lee Denomie, case #07-253, §3.1706, Controlled Substance.

Factual Basis: Defendant did deliver, within the territorial jurisdiction of this Court, the controlled substance, to-wit: Marijuana.

Sentenced on 02/13/2008 to:

1. \$600 fine.
2. 180 days jail, 90 days suspended, credit for 2 days served, 88 days to be served. Defendant is responsible for lodging costs with the exception of the 1st day he served.
3. Twenty-four months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with the \$10 monthly probation fee (concurrent with case #07-256). Defendant is to report to the probation department on the date of his release.
4. Defendant is to obtain a substance abuse screening and is to comply with the recommendations of that screening until successfully completed (concurrent with case #07-256).
5. Defendant is not eligible for work release (concurrent with case #07-256).

Thomas Lee Denomie, case #07-256, §3.1706, Controlled Substance.

Factual Basis: Defendant did have possession of Marijuana within his residence.

Sentenced on 02/13/2008 to:

1. \$300 fine.
2. 90 days jail, 90 days suspended.
3. Twenty-four months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with the \$10 monthly probation fee (concurrent with case #07-253). Defendant is to report to the probation department on the date of his release.
4. Defendant is to obtain a substance abuse screening and is to comply with the recommendations of that screening until successfully completed (concurrent with case #07-256).
5. Defendant is not eligible for work release (concurrent with case #07-253).

I, Ron DeCota, would like to apologize to the people of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community for an incident that happened last year where I left the Pine's Convenience Store without paying for the merchandise. Sincerely, Ron DeCota.

(9) Zhaangaswi

March 2008

Events occurring throughout KBIC are welcome to be listed. Please contact newsletter@kbic.nsn.gov to list your event. Events are more detailed FYI within the newsletter. For up-to-date event listing, please visit www.ojibwa.com and click on calendar. For Youth events (underlined) please contact 353-4643/Main Office at Youth Club, or 353-4644 for the facility attendants or the Kitchen/craft rooms.

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Notice: There will be **limited** use of the Niiwin Akeea Youth Gym, beginning 4/6/08, as there will be MDOC Officer Cadet training taking place from 6:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. daily, Monday through Friday. **Dates of use will be:** 4/6/08 – 4/18/08. Please inquire with Youth Director, facility attendants, for any use of the gym. There will be posted times for Open Gym and walking. **Miigwetch for your cooperation during this time.**

2	3	4	5	6 Language Table @ Ojibwa Resort, 7:15 pm	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 Language Table @ Ojibwa Resort, 7:15 pm	14	15 16th Annual NMU "Learning to Walk Together" Powwow
16 16th Annual NMU "Learning to Walk Together" Powwow	17	18	19	20 Language Table @ Ojibwa Resort, 7:15 pm	21 Good Friday Tribal Government Offices are closed	22
23	24	25	26	27 Language Table @ Ojibwa Resort, 7:15 pm	28	29
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FOR YOUTH CALENDAR EVENTS: PLEASE SEE WWW.OJIBWA.COM, and click on the KBIC Youth Club.

INFLUENZA VACCINE 2007/2008

Vaccinations are available on a walk-in basis, but scheduled appointments are encouraged. Non-native household contacts are also eligible for vaccination at the KBIC Medical Clinic. For more information please call 353-8700.

Annual vaccination against influenza is recommended for:

- all persons, including school-aged children, who want to reduce the risk of becoming ill with influenza or of transmitting influenza to others;
- all children aged 6–59 months (i.e., 6 months–4 years);
- all persons aged >50 years;
- children and adolescents (aged 6 months–18 years) receiving long-term aspirin therapy who therefore might be at risk for experiencing Reyes syndrome after influenza virus infection;
- women who will be pregnant during the influenza season;
- adults and children who have chronic pulmonary (including asthma), cardiovascular (except hypertension), renal, hepatic, hematological or metabolic disorders (including diabetes mellitus);
- adults and children who have immunosuppression (including immunosuppression caused by medications or by human immunodeficiency virus);
- adults and children who have any condition (e.g., cognitive dysfunction, spinal cord injuries, seizure disorders, or other neuromuscular disorders) that can compromise respiratory function or the handling of respiratory secretions or that can increase the risk for aspiration;
- residents of nursing homes and other chronic-care facilities;
- health-care personnel;
- healthy household contacts (including children) and caregivers of children aged <5 years and adults aged >50 years, with particular emphasis on vaccinating contacts of children aged <6 months.



(10) Midaaswi

16th Annual "Learning to Walk Together" Traditional Pow Wow
\$5 weekend, \$3 daily, NMU students/children 12 and under are FREE Vandament Arena

Saturday, March 15th & Sunday, March 16th



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Onaabani Giizis — Crusty Snow Moon — March

Word List/Sentences

Gaganoonidiwin: "Ikwe, Inini gaye" [Woman and Man]

- Ikwe:** "Waabanangokwe" indizhinikaaz. [My name is "Morning Star Woman."]
Giin dash, aaniish ezhinikaazoyan? [And you, just what is your name?]
- Inini:** Oon, "Mekogaabawid" mii ezhinikaazoyaan. [Oh, "Standing Bear," that's what my name is.]
Aaniish ezhi – ayaayan? [How are you?]
- Ikwe:** Oon, niwenda-mino-ayaa, giin dash? [Oh, I'm just fine, and you?]
- Inini:** Wa, weweni sa go akina izhi-ayaamad! [Hey, everything is just hunky dory!]
- Ikwe:** Aaniin ezhinikaazod gidayiim? [What is your dog's name?]
- Inini:** "Makwa," mii ezhinikaazod indayiim ["Bear," that's what my dog's name is.]
- Ikwe:** Ziibiing indoonjibaa. [I'm from Zeba.]
- Inini:** Besho owidi Asiniinsing niin indoonjibaa. [Myself, I'm from nearby Assinins.]



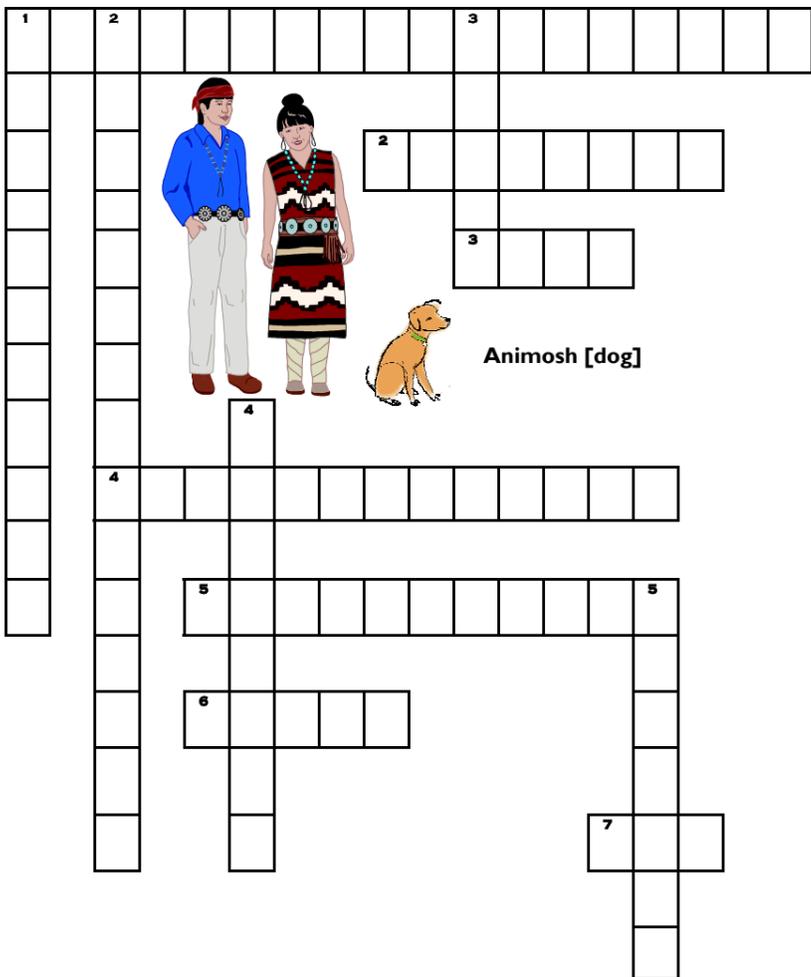
The language page is designed from reference of "A Concise Dictionary of Minnesota Ojibwe" by John D. Nichols and Earl Nyholm. This month's Ojibwemowin includes experiences from the language round-table held Friday evenings, 7:00 p.m. at the Ojibwa Community College. (Information on joining in on this opportunity follows.)

HELP EACH OTHER LEARN & SPEAK



GAGANOONIDIWINI-ADOOOWIN
Ojibwe Language Table – informal learning opportunity for all ages.
We will meet on Thursday nights 7:15-8:15 @ Ojibwa Resort Conference Rooms

Please bring snacks/beverages to share
Contact: Debra Williamson (906) 353-4178



- Across:**
- How are you?
 - Zeba
 - Woman
 - My name is
 - I'm from
 - Bear
 - Oh



- Down:**
- nearby Assinins
 - I'm just fine
 - Man.
 - And you?
 - Dog.

Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College Automotive Technician Survey

Your input is needed to determine what training you would like to participate in if it is offered. Please fill in the information so we may contact you about training opportunities.

Name _____ Phone No. _____

Address _____

1. What automotive certificate programs would you like to see offered at KBOCC. Please number in order of preference.

- auto mechanic diesel mechanic
 auto body repair other _____
(please fill in)

2. What days of the week are preferable for training?

- Monday through Thursday Friday
 Weekends Any day

3. What time of day is preferable for training?

- Morning Afternoon
 Evening Any time

4. Would you like training to become state certified?

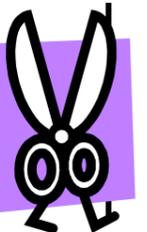
- Yes No

5. Would you like to transfer your credits to NMU or other institutions to obtain a one-year certificate?

- Yes No

6. Please provide any other comments regarding automotive training.

Completed surveys can be brought to Liz Julio or mailed to KBOCC, PO Box 519, Baraga MI 49908. Surveys are also available at Ojibwa Community College, Tribal Center front desk, and TERO office. For questions or information, please call Liz Julio at 353-4605 or Debbie Parrish at 353-4601. If we are not available, please leave a message.



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